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GOV. EASLEY ANNOUNCES 125 NEW JOBS IN NASH COUNTY

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley today announced that American Food Resources, a cheese processing and redistribution company, will locate their new headquarters and warehousing operation in Nashville, N.C. creating 125 jobs and a \$6 million investment for the state.

“The company’s decision to locate in Nash County shows that our superior educational system, infrastructure and top-ranked business climate continue to give us a competitive edge,” Easley said. “We will keep working with local and county leaders to create jobs like these for hard working North Carolina families.”

American Food Resources LLC is a new company formed by American Food Resources Inc. of Greenville, S.C.; Berger Foods of Atlanta, Ga.; and Carper Sales Company Inc. of Atlanta.

The company will warehouse, redistribute, package and process 40-pound blocks of assorted cheeses within the existing 53,000-square-foot Shell Building in the Nashville Business Center. Positions available include line workers, line supervisors and plant supervisors and will have an average compensation package of \$33,000 per year.

“After a thorough search of the southeastern United States, we feel strongly that the Nashville area and the availability of the Shell Building were the most conducive for our operation,” said Tim Carper, general manager of American Food Resources. “With close proximity to Interstate 95 and the interstate-like quality of U.S. 64, you cannot beat the transportation network in Nashville. Additionally, we are in a food processing area that has a large number of people with food-related skills. The infrastructure is in place to make this plant a success.”

Partners in the project include: the town of Nashville, Nash County, the Nash County Business Development Authority, Carolinas Gateway Partnership, the N.C. Eastern Region Partnership, Progress Energy, the N.C. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Rural Business Enterprise Grant.

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